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VIRGINIA SOLDIERS IN THE REVOLUTION.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENTS MADE BY SOLDIERS WHO SERVED IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR FROM VERGINIA' EITHER IN THE CONTINENTAL LINE OR THE VIRGINAA STATE LINE.

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Note—These statements are condensed. In paranthesis is given the county where the person made the sworn statement and the date on which it was made. These counties are all Virginia counties, unless otherwise specified.

These statements were made in applications for pensions, and were gathered while collecting material for my book on the Virginia Militia.

FIRST VIRGINIA.

REUBEN HUFFMAN, (Greenbrier July 28, 1818(Born October —, 1763. Enlisted in 1777 under Capt. Angus Rucker of First Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col. George Gibson, for term of three years. Discharged in 1780 at Valley Forge. In the battles of Monmouth and Stony Point.

SECOND VIRGINIA.

AIRES WITT, (Knox Co. Ky, July 12, 1820) Born Jan'y 1st 1st 1745. Enlisted for the war under Capt. O'Neil of Col. Martin's Second Virginia. Served five years. Children° 1. Sarah (age 20, married). 2. Polly (over 20 and married) 3. Elizabeth (20, married and has one child) 4. William (13)5. Samuel (11) and 6. Nancy (9).

WILLIAM KEYSER, (Bath Octr. 9, 1832) Born 1755. Enlisted in Gloucester for three years in the State service, under

Capt. Thomas Baytop of the Second Virginia and marched to Hampton. While there was inocutated for small pox. Joined Wahsington's army at Valley Forge, remaining all winter. Next June was under Col. Chas. Dabney in pursuit of the British and was in the battle of Monmouth. Lay on his arms all night expecting a renewal of the fight, but the Britishfled. Was under Col. Saml. Greifs in a skirmish with the enemy at Sawmill River bridge, on which occasion 30 men were captured by the British. Was in the van at the storming of Stony Point, when Gen. Wayne received a slight wound on the temple and Col. Feebecker (Febiger) took command. Col. Fleury led the vanguard.

JAMES JONES, (Monroe, Aug. 22, 1832,) Born 1761. Enlisted Aug. 16, 1777, under Capt. Elias Edmunds of the Second Virginia State Artillery, Col. Thomas Marshall commanding. Discharged in 1780, at end of term. Was in no battles. Was at Hillsborough at the time of Gate's defeat. Resided in Fauquier at the time of enlistment.

THOMAS MILTON, (Fayette Co. Ky. Aug. 14, 1820) Born 1750. Enlisted in Loudoun in cavalry service under Capt. Morgan and Col. A. Spottswood, Second Virginia, Continental Line. Lives in Clarke County.

SAMUEL CADDALL, (Montgomery, Aug. 7, 1832). Born 1759. Volunteed in 1780 in Rockbridge in Second Virginia, Continental Line, Col. Howe commanding. His captains were Paxton, Wallace, Lapsley, Cowherd and Evans. Discharged at Salisbury, N. C., in 1782. Howe leaving the service from ill health, was followed by Campbell, who was killed at Eutaw. He was in battles of Guilford, Hobkirk's Hill, Ninety Six and Eutaw.

JOHN GILLOCK, (decd) (Shenandoah, April, 1795). Private in Second Virginia Regiment. Deceased, has one son John Jr. Proof by Joseph Wolfenberger.

CHARLES WALL, (Greenbrier, Aug 28, 1818) Born 1748. Enlisted about 1778 for three years under Capt. John Lewis, of Augusta, the regiment being the Second Virginia State roops, commanded by Col. and Lt. Col. Chas. Dabney. Discharged at Philadelphia. In battles of Monmouth, Stony Point, Jamestown and seige of Yorktown.

PETER HOLLY, (Montgomery, Octr 1. 1832) Born about 1753 Enlisted in Second Virginia Line, under Capt. William Field and Capt..... Lewis. Lt. Wm. Long, succeeded Lewis until Capt. Meacham Boswell took command. The Regiment was under Col. Wm. Brent of Muhlenberg's Brigade. Went out for three years in March 1777. and was honorably discharged Was in battles of Stony Point and Monmouth.

THIRD VIRGINIA.

THOMAS PERRY, (Greenbrier Octr. 27 1818) Born 1765. Enlisted in Montgomery under Capt. Price and Col. Adams in Third Regiment. This was in 1781 and for the rest of the war, and he so served. Was in the seige of Yorktown, and was discharged at Annapolis, Md.

JOHN LARY, (Shenandoah, Aug 13, 1832) Born Mar 9. 1752. Enlisted with Capt. Valentine Peyton of Prince William, in Third Regiment, Virginia Line, Col. Gaskin commanding. Served out his three years. Joined Gen. Woodford in Pennsylvania. Was in the battles at Trenton, Sandbar, Brandywine, Germantown, and Monmouth and was in many skirmishes. Volunteed again for three months and went out under Capt. Overall in the seige of Yorktown.

DANIEL ALLEN, (Rockbridge, Aug. 1. 1820) Born about 1760 Enlisted by an officer named Randall; marched to Petersburg and thence under Major Call to Charleston S. C. where his troop was attached to the Third cavalry under Col. Baylor, Continental Establishment. Continued therein until the end of the war.

JOHN HARRIS, (Rockbridge, Sep. 3. 1820) Born 1755. Served in Capt. Reuben Field's company of the Third Regiment, Virginia Line; Has wife, and an epileptic son.

FOURTH VIRGINIA.

WILLIAM BISHOP, (Whitley Co. Ky. July 1. 1820) Born about 1760. Enlisted for and served 18 months, going out in 1777 under Capt. John Rice of Col. Adam Stephen's Fourth Virginia Regiment, Gen. Morgans Brigade was at Brandywine and Germantown. Discharged at White Marsh. Children; 1. Milton (age 38) 2. Lydia (36) 3. John (33) 4. Polly (31) 5. Elizabeth (29) 6. Margaret (19) 7. Jennie (18) All married but Margaret.

PIERCE D. HANIKER, (Knox Co. Ky. July 121,820) Born 1756. Discharged, after two years service, at Valley Forge, being in Capt. John Brent's company, of Col. Robert Lawson's Fourth Virginia.

Children, 1. Sarah (born 1785—married) 2. George (born 1787) 3. John (1791) 4. Florence (1793) 5. Vincent (1795) Peter (1797) 7. Elizabeth (1801) 8. Frances (1803)

ABNER WATKINS, (Prince Edward, Septr 17, 1832) Born 1758. Resident of Lunenburg County. Enlisted in 1776 for two years under Capt. Wm. Morton, serving in Fourth Virginia Regiment, Continental Line, Col. Robert Lawson commanding the same, Gen. Charles Scott the brigade, and Gen. Stevens the division. His lieutenants were John Holcomb and Thomas Spencer. Marched from Prince Edward, where he then lived, and embarked at Portsmouth for the Head of Elk (Elkton, Md) He and others being then on the sick list remained until able to go on and rejoined his company in New Jersey. In New York the army was informed by express that the enemy had landed at the head of Elk. Washington then moved by forced marches to meet the British at Brandywine, in which battle he was slightly wounded. He was also in the battle of Germantown and in many skirmishes. He served out his time and was discharged in New Jersey.

FIFTH VIRGINIA.

WILLIAM DALE, (Fayette Co. Ky. Aug 14, 1820) Born 1757 Served in Capt. Fauntleroy's company of Fifth Virginia, Col. Ball commanding. Children° Whitfield (age 20) Creth (18).

SIXTH VIRGINIA A. E.

SAMUEL ALLEN, (Monroe County Febry 16 1829) Enlisted for 18 months, about Aug 15, 1780, in Capt Bell's Company, Sixth Virginia, Continentals. Marchedto Hillsborough N. C. and placed Col. Campbel Was in battles of Guilford, and Eutaw, seige of 96 and capture of Augusta. Was in camp on the High Hills of Santee. In October 1781, suffered very much from the inclemency of the weather, and because of a worm which got in his ear while lying on the ground sick. He was put into a hospital at Mt. Ferguson, and there remained until his regiment was discharged.

SEVENTH VIRGINIA.

WILLIAM HENSON, (Greenbrier July 6th 1818) Enlisted in 1776 for two years in Capt. Thomas Posey company of the seventh Virginia, commanded by Col. Eli McClenahen. Discharged 1778 at Valley Forge. Very badly wounded at Piscataway.

JOHN LAUD, (Fayette Co Mo Septr 11 1820) Born Madison County Va 1755. Enlisted 1777 by Lt. Garland Burnley of the Seventh Virginia, under Col. Alexander McClenahan. Dis. charged at Valley Forge. Was also in Second Virginia, under Col. Wm. Heath of Gen. Chas Scott's brigade. Children Moses (age 17) Elizabeth (16) Nightingale (14) William H. (11) a grandson.

EIGHTH VIRGINIA.

JESSE DAVIS, (Knox Co. Ky. Octr 11, 1820) born 1755 Enlisted for the war and served four years under Capt. Wm

..... and attached to Eighth Virginia, under Col. Stephens. Was in the battles of Bunker Hill (?) Brandywine, Germantown, and Monmouth. Captured at Germantown and held one year, when he deserted from the British at Savannah. No family.

NOTE—This party had a lapse of memory. If he was taken at Germantown and held a year, he could not have been at Monmouth. He must have been captured later.

WILLIAM BRINKLEY, (Greenbrier, Jany. 26 1819) born 1758. Enlisted in Shenandoah for two years in 1776 in the company of Captn. Jonathan Clark of Col. Muhlenburg's Eighth Virginia Rifles. Discharged at Suffolk 1778.

PETER EMMONS, (Rockbridge, Septr 11 1820) Born 1754 Enlisted under Richard Campbell, Eighth Regiment, Virginia Line, Col. Peter Muhlenburg and Lt. Col. Abram Bowman being field officers. Served about seven years. Has no family.

NINTH VIRGINIA.

WILLIAM PATTERSON, (Knox Co. Ky Jany. 10. 1825) born 1752. Enlisted March 1775 (1777 ?) in Ninth Virginai Cohtinentals, under Capt. John Hays and Col. George Mathews. Was in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. In the latter was captured and confined nine months in Philadelphia and one in New York. Then with 700 other was exchanged at Elizabeth Point N. J. and discharged there at end of his enlistment. Acted as sergeant. Has wife and three children.

NINTH VIRGINIA AND FIRST VIRGINIA.

CHISTOPHER HORN, (Knox Co. Ky, Decr 8 1823(Born 1752• Enlisted in Staunton, 1775, for two years under Capt. John Hays of Ninth Virginia Col. George Mathews commanding. At Germantown the regiment was cut to pieces and captured. Enlisted again it Valley Forge for three years in the FIRST VIRGINIA, light dragoons, Capt. Spottswood Dandridge

commanding the troop and Col. Frederick Bland the Regiment. Discharged in Halifax, 1780. Was in the battles at Savannah, Briar Creek and Charleston, and in many skirmishes. William Patterson was a comrade in the ninth. Died March 9th 1837° widow, Elizabeth.

WILLIAM BAILEY, (Kanawha, W. Va.....1833) Born 1754, Enlisted in Albemarle in 1776 for two years under Capt. Thomas Walker of Ninth Regiment of Continental line.

JOHN GREEN, (..... July 31, 1820) Born 1752. Enlisted January or February 1776, from Goochland, in the Continental service, his regiment being the NINTH VIRGINIA, and his captain S. Woodson. Discharged Decr 14, 1777. Was in the battles of Brandywine and White Horse. Lives with a son 28 years old, who is in indigent circumstances.

TENTH VIRGINIA.

JAMES SMITH, (Greenbrier June 23, 1818). Born 1758. Enlisted in Albemarle under Capt. David Laird of Col. Stephens TENTH Virginia. Enlisted in 1776 for three years. Discharged in 1779 at Trenton N. J. Was in the storming of Stony Point. John Crookshank was a comrade.

JOHN CROOKSHANK, (Greenbrier June 23rd 1818) Enlisted in August 1776, in TENTH Virginia, under Captn. John Lewis and Col. Stephen. Was in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. After his term of enlistment of three years had expired enlisted in the legion under Col. Henry Lee and was in the fights at Georgetown and Guilford. Im the latter was wounded and sent to a hospital. The wound was below the right knee. Discharged by General Greene, 1782.

JOHN FOSTER, (Monroe, March 16 1829) Born about 1759 Enlisted for three years under Capt. Lamb, of the TENTH VIRGINIA CONTINENTALS, Col. Gaskins commanding the regiment and Gen. Steuben the brigade. Was present at

the seige of Yorktown and then marched south under Col. Posey and Gen. Wayne, being discharged in 1783 near Charleston. Was in several skirmishes near Savannah but in no general engagement.

THOMAS JONES, (Nelson, Septr 20, 1832) Born 1755. Enlisted 1776 in the Tenth Virginia, continentals, Edward Stevens being colonel. The company officers were Capt. James Dilliard, First LT. Clough Shelton, Second Lt. James Dilliard, and Ensign William Powell. Later the tenth became the SIXTH and he was under Col. Samuel Hawes, Clough Shelton being his Captain and James Dilliard First Lt. In the Spring of 1777 he was inoculated for small pox at Baltimore. After getting well he was marched to Philadelphia, where he received his regimentals and then proceeded to headquarters at Middlebrook N. J. Was in a shirmish at Strawberry Hill and in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. In the latter he was wounded and sent to the hospital at Reading. On his ercovery he joined his regiment at White Plains and was later at West Point. Was discharged at Philadelphia in Decr. 1779. After the battle of Brandywine was appointed orderly sergeant and remained as such. Time of service, three years.

WILLIAM PALMER, (Fayette Co. Ky. Aug 14 1820) Born in Prince William County, Va 1756. Enlisted under Captn. William Johnson of Tenth Virginia, Col. Febiger commanding. Gen. Woodford commanded the brigade at Brandywine. Has a son, Richard, aged about 20.

WILLIAM WRIGHT, (Prince Edward Aug 21, 1832) Born in Cumberland County 1752 and still living there. Enlisted as a private in February 1776, in Captain John Morton's company of TENTH VIRGINIA, sate line. The field officers were Col. Isaac Read, and Major Robert Lawson. Marched next month month from Prince Edward C. H. At Suffolk was appointed orderly sergeant. While here and at Portsmouth there were skirmishes with Dunmore's troops. In Septr, after Dunmore had left the James River he went by water with his regiment

to the head of Elk, and marching through Philadelphia and Newark joined Gen. Washington at New Brunswick after the retreat from Fort Washington. Was in the battles of Trenton and Princeton. From the winter quarters at Chatham he went on various scouting parties and was in several skirmishes. Lord Howe was then at New Brunswick, about 12 miles from the American army. Was also in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown, and was with the army at Valley Forge until regularly discharged in February 1778. During his term of service Maj. Lawson became Colonel, Capt Bell became Major, and when he left Gen. Scott commanded the brigade. He was sergeant nearly all the while.

TWELFTH VIRGINIA.

THOMAS ARMAN, (Pulaski Co. Ky. Jany. 1824) Enlisted under Capt..... Lapsley of Botetourt County in the Twelfth Virginia Continentals, commanded by Col. Nathaniel Gist Chas Scott's Brigade. Was in the battle of Monmouth. John Carpenter and Jas. Lee were comrades.

RICHARD EDWARDS, (Rockbridge, Novr 6 1820) Born 1757. Enlisted under Capt. Thos. Bowyer of Twelfth Virginia Regiment, which was commanded by Col. James Woods and later by Col. Gist.

JAMES SIMPKINS, (Montgomery, Aug, 9 1832) Born Novr 1758. Enlisted for three years in 1777 in Twelfth Virginia, Continental Line, under Capt. Samuel Lapsley and Lt. Alexander Breckenridge of Col. Nathan Gists Regiment. Was in the battle of Monmouth and some skirmishes. Discharged at Frederick Md. 1780.

JOHN NEAL BLAIR, (Greenbrier, June 23, 1818) Born 1742. Enlisted in an Augusta Rifle company under Capt. Michael Bowyer of TWELFTH Virginia regiment commanded by Col. ..... Wood. Went out in 1775 for two years but under that enlistment served three years. Discharged at Stony

Point, N. Y. 1778. Was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, Amboy and Stony Pount.

DANIEL KEITH, (Rockbridge Aug. 1. 1820.) born about 1749. Served three years in Capt. Andrew Wagoner's company of Twelfth Virginia line,. After discharge from it enlisted in Capt. John Watt's company, FIRST Cavalry, under Col. ..... White and belonged to the same two years and one month.

SIXTEENTH VIRGINIA.

GEORGE WHEETFIELD, (Montgomery, Septr. 3rd 1832) Enlisted in Sixteenth Virginia, Continental Line, under Capt. ..... McGuire, Lt. Co. ..... Bell, and Col. ..... Simpson. Was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth. Went out from Frederick Co Va.

JOHN FOREHAND, (Rockbridge April 1. 1823) Born in Penn. 1755. Enlisted in Staunton under Capt. .....Bell in 1777 to serve three years. Later attached to Sixteenth Virginia under Col. Gist of Gen. Muhlenberg's brigade. Was in the battles of Monmouth, and Stony Point and at the seige of Charleston was wounded through the right breast and taken prisoner. While being taken to Williamsburg for exchange, he and others escaped from the ship. Discharged at Williamsburg at the end of his time.